

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application:

Alex CIMPOIA et al

Serial Number: 09/890,283

Docket No. 108184-00015

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FOR: STEREOSELECTIVE SYNTHESIS OF NUCEOSIDE ANALOGUES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIMECommissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 18, 2002

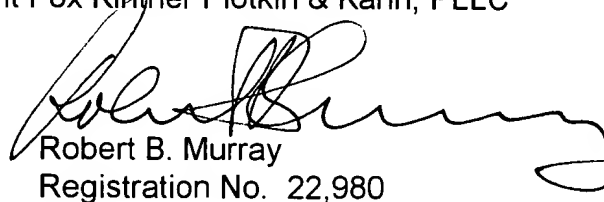
Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2001 for four months from November 17, 2001 to March 18, 2002.

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